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**PROCEEDING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF MONTANA  
August 22, 2006**

**Present:** Commissioners Lythgoe, Notbohm and Weber; Harold Stepper, County Planner; Jan Anderson, *Boulder Monitor/Jefferson County Courier*

**CALENDAR REVIEW**

- 8/23 Meeting with Bill Lloyd of Great West Engineering - 9:30
- 8/24 North-end Zoning Commission - Montana City - 4:00  
MTAG - 5:00
- 8/25 CSAA - Helena - 10:00

**COMMISSION REPORTS**

**SADDLE MOUNTAIN RID**

Commissioner Lythgoe reported that he and Commissioner Weber met with residents of Saddle Mountain 3 on Tuesday night. Of the 44 or 45 parcels in Saddle Mountain 3, 25 to 26 homeowners were in attendance, and all but one were in favor of a RID. Commissioner Lythgoe stated that he told those in attendance that the Commission would like the RID to cover a bigger area, and hoped that Saddle Mountain 1 and 2 could be brought in too. He also stated that it will be up to the County to get out notice.

**ELKHORN MINE**

Commissioner Lythgoe reported that the Commissioners met with members from the Elkhorn Mine on Wednesday. He stated that it was a positive meeting, and they learned much about the operation.

**JLDC**

Commissioner Lythgoe reported that a major topic of discussion at the JLDC meeting was housing in the Boulder area. Tara's boss from MSU was also in attendance to explain that Tara's role is different than Scott's, due to tenure. To get tenure, Tara has some requirements related to education, more specifically teaching classes and being evaluated by those in attendance and/or

her peers.

#### COUNTY BUDGET

Commissioner Lythgoe reported that the Commission met with Bonnie on Thursday regarding the budget, so that she would be able to get something out on the counter and the website.

#### GROUNDBREAKING FOR SOUTH HELENA INTERCHANGE

Commissioner Lythgoe reported that he attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the South Helena Interchange on Thursday afternoon.

#### LIBRARY BOARD

Commissioner Weber reported on the Library Board meeting held on Wednesday afternoon. One of the board members in attendance resigned and walked out of the meeting, so they had no quorum to finish the meeting. With the appointment of a new board member, they hopefully can reconvene and finish the meeting.

#### CTAC

Commissioner Weber reported that the CTAC meeting the previous week was a really neat experience. Barrick, the new owners of Golden Sunlight, arranged for 30 or so native Alaskans from different villages to come down and review operations. They have concerns regarding the impact to the environment, their villages, etc.

#### EXTENSION OFFICE

Commissioner Weber reported that he met with Kellie Doherty, the Extension employees and Steve Siegler from MSU. The outcome of the meeting is that both he and Kellie feel that Jill and Nancy's position descriptions should mirror each other, rather than being designated as strictly economic development or extension.

#### RMDC

Commissioner Notbohm reported on the RMDC meeting on Thursday. They were going to vote to give back money received for the Big Boulder housing project, but he persuaded them to wait. He wants the Commission to meet with Gene Leuwer and Jeff Miller first. 1.6 million dollars has been committed for Big Boulder, but HUD wants repayment of the original funds before the new funds are released. HUD sets the formula for rents, but nothing was set up for the repayment of the original loan. They do have a record of forgiving loans however. There is also a fair amount of land there, and they could build new buildings, up to code, rather than refurbishing and bringing up to code the existing buildings, as well as providing housing for the displaced residents, which will be very costly. Commissioner Notbohm stated that he got them to put off the decision for a month. Commissioner Weber stated that he spoke with someone from HUD, and we need to put in a proposal outlining our needs. He, personally, would hate to see the money go back.

#### ITEMS FOR COMMISSIONERS ACTION OR REVIEW

RESOLUTION 27-2006 RESOLUTION TO AMEND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS  
REGARDING INGRESS-EGRESS

Commissioner Lythgoe read the resolution as follows:

**RESOLUTION 27-2006**

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND SUBDIVISION REGULATION 8.1.9.1.9**

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature enacted Title 76, Part 5, Chapter 3, which mandates that the governing body of every county shall adopt and provide for the enforcement and administration of subdivision regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, Jefferson County has a current set of Subdivision Regulations that are used for proposed county subdivisions; and

**WHEREAS**, the current regulation 8.1.9.1.9 has been problematic for the planning board, County Commissioners, and citizens of Jefferson County due to overly stringent requirements of this regulation that have forced a large number of landowners intending to subdivide to seek a variance for proposed subdivisions due to the topography of Jefferson County that prevents more than one ingress and egress route; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of Jefferson County to provide an alternative option to potential subdividers to discuss a preliminary proposed plan and seek a variance on 8.1.9.1.9 prior to submitting a preliminary plat where ingress and egress is an issue;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that pursuant to Title 76, Part 5, Chapter 3, the Jefferson County Commission hereby creates this Resolution to amend Jefferson County Subdivision Regulation 8.1.9.1.9 to read as follows:

*“Each subdivision shall provide at least two different ingress-egress routes. If for some reason two different ingress-egress routes are not attainable, the developer will submit a written request for a variance to the governing body prior to Preliminary Plat approval. The request must contain a proposed plan of the subdivision. A variance request approval does not constitute a Preliminary Plat approval for the subdivision.”*

**DATED** this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2006.

**ATTEST:**

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**BONNIE RAMEY**  
**CLERK AND RECORDER**

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**TOMAS E. LYTHGOE, CHAIR**

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**CHUCK NOTBOHM, COMMISSIONER**

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**KEN WEBER, COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner Notbohm moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Weber seconded. The motion carried.

**APPOINT BOARD MEMBER**

Commissioner Lythgoe stated that Kathy Bovee has submitted an application to serve on the Library Board. She has been interviewed, and he recommended that she be appointed to the board. Commissioner Notbohm moved to appoint Kathy Bovee to the Library Board, to fill the term vacated by Glenna Waltee. Commissioner Lythgoe seconded. The motion carried, with Commissioner Weber abstaining.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

**ATTEST:**

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**BONNIE RAMEY**  
**CLERK AND RECORDER**

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